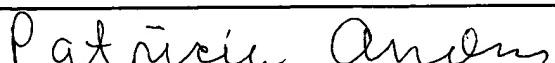
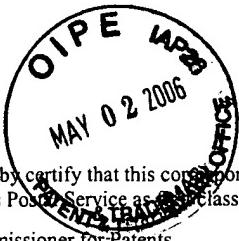


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In response to the Office communication mailed April 14, 2006, on the above-referenced application, a complete set of claims is hereby submitted.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.